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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoko KUWABARA, et al.

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SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER:

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FOR: CARBAMOYL-PHOSPHATE SYNTHETASE GENE OF CORYNEFORM BACTERIA AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-ARGININE

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/629,616, filed July 31, 2000, now allowed, and U.S. Application Serial Number 09/494,359, filed January 31, 2000, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

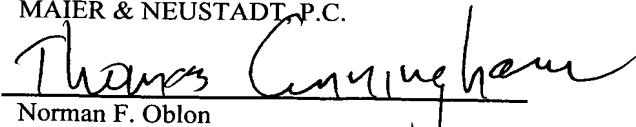
In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
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Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/494,359 filed January 31, 2000.
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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